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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: OVIP (TODMAN, TERENCE A.), UY
SUBJ: TODMAN VISIT

1. TUESDAY MUNDO COLOR AND WEDNESDAY LA MANANA
PUBLISHED BRIEF REPORTS THAT LOCAL "FRIENDS OF AFRICA
SOCIETY" IS PLANNING LUNCHEON IN YOUR HONOR AS "FIRST
BLACK TO HOLD SUCH HIGH POSITION IN U.S. GOVERNMENT".

2. BOTH PRESS REPORTS STATE LUNCHEON BEING ORGANIZED
BY "SOCIOLOGIST" MANUEL VILLA, POSSIBLY AT DOWNTOWN "OTTO"
RESTAURANT. MUNDO COLOR STORY ALSO NOTES VILLA GROUP
PLANS PRESENT FLOWERS TO YOU ON ARRIVAL AT CARRASCO AIRPORT.

3. WHEN VILLA FIRST CALLED EMBASSY LAST WEEK TO
INQUIRE ABOUT POSSIBLITY MEETING WITH YOU HE WAS TOLD
LUNCHEON DATE APPARENTLY IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE SCHEDULE
ALREADY FULL. HE ACCEPTED THIS EXPLANATION AND TOLD
EMBASSY EMPLOYEE, "THEN WE'LL MEET HIM AT THE AIRPORT
AND PRESENT FLOWERS".

4. ACCORDING TO USIS PRESS SOURCES VILLA HAS BEEN PRESSING
PAPERS LAST FEW DAYS TO PUBLICIZE HIS SCHEDULED LUNCHEON
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WITH YOU.

5. USIS EMPLOYEES HAVE EXPERIENCED PROBLEMS IN DEALING
WITH VILLA FOR NUMBER OF YEARS BECAUSE OF HIS INSOLENT
MANNER. HE HAS THE REPUTATION OF BEING AN OPPORTUNIST
WHO IS VERY DIFFICULT TO HANDLE. DESPITE HIS EFFORTS TO
PROMOTE HIMSELF AS SPOKESMAN FOR THE LOCAL BLACK COMMUNITY,

WHICH IS QUITE SMALL AND UNORGANIZED, OUR INFORMATION IS
THAT HE IS VIEWED AS A CON MAN BY MOST OTHER BLACKS. HE
PUBLISHES A MAGAZINE BUT ONLY ONE COPY HAS EVER BEEN SEEN.

6. WE WILL INFORM VILLA AGAIN THAT THE LUNCHEON IS NOT
POSSIBLE. MOST PROBABLY HE WILL GREET YOU AT THE AIRPORT.
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